Introduced by Assembly Members Hertzberg and Baugh

August 7, 2000

House Resolution No. 64—Relative to commending the Honorable Bruce Thompson.

- 1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Bruce Thompson, who has
- 2 represented the 66th Assembly District for the past six
- 3 years, has announced his retirement as an Assembly
- 4 Member and, upon this occasion, he is deserving of
- 5 highest commendations for his record of dedicated
- service to his constituents and the State of California; and
- WHEREAS, Bruce Thompson was born in Idaho in 1953 and moved to California as a young child; and
- 9 WHEREAS, He received a degree in business 10 administration and economics in 1976 from the University
- 11 of La Verne in southern California; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Mr. Thompson is an accomplished
- 13 businessman, having a long history of successful business
- 14 ventures; in the mid-1980s he formed an international
- 15 business importing marble from Malaysia that has since
- 16 blossomed into extensive corporate relations throughout
- 17 south-east Asia, and he recently served as Chairman of
- 18 Hercules Offshore Corporation, a subsidiary of Trenergy
- 19 (Malaysia) BHD, headquartered in Houston, Texas; and
- 20 WHEREAS, On November 8, 1994, he was
- 21 overwhelmingly elected by the voters of the 66th District
- 22 to represent them in the California State Assembly; and

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WHEREAS, Assembly Member Thompson has held many leadership positions since being elected including Republican Caucus Chairman and Assistant Republican

Leaders under Speaker of the Assembly Curt Pringle; and

5 WHEREAS, His most recent position was Assistant 6 Republican Leader for Assembly Republican Leader Bill Leonard, and in this role, he served as the Republican Chair, responsible for Elections 9 Assembly Republican campaign efforts; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Member Thompson currently 10 presides as Vice Chair of Veterans Affairs, while serving as a member of the Committees on Higher Education, 12 13 Local Government, Elections, Reapportionment 14 Constitutional Amendments; and

WHEREAS, He has always been an active citizen in his serving in various official capacities, 16 community, including water board member, school board member, and chamber of commerce president, and he has also served as the YMCA Vice President and Committee Chairman for Boy Scout Troop 718 in Fallbrook; and

WHEREAS, Along with his many career achievements and honorable record of community service, he finds no greater source of fulfillment than that of his own family; he and his wife, Donna, have been happily married for 25 years and have eight children, all of whom are extremely active in community and school events and programs, and they have resided in Fallbrook, in northern San Diego County, since 1990; and

WHEREAS. Through his professional, public, 30 community activities, he has made a significant impact on the people of the 66th Assembly District and throughout the state, and he will be sorely missed by those individuals with whom he has been associated; now, therefore, be it

34 Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That the Members of the California State Assembly take 35 36 great pride in honoring Assembly Member Bruce Thompson for his outstanding service to the people of the 37 66th Assembly District and the people of California during his tenure as a Member of the California State Legislature, and extend to him heartiest best wishes for _3_ HR 64

- 1 happiness and success in his future endeavors; and be it
- 2 further
- 3 Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly 4 transmit a suitably prepared copy of this resolution to the 5 Honorable Bruce Thompson.